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In re

Application No. 10/583,835

SLOWLY DIGESTIBLE STARCH-CONTAINING FOODSTUFFS

Our Ref.: 25045-25

Dear Examiner Anderson:

Please see attached Interview Request from Dr. Guy regarding the subject application.

Contact Dr. Guy at 864-282-1101 should you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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Dear Sir:

A telephonic interview to discuss the Final Action mailed February 10, 2011 is requested. The proposed date and time is April 6, 11:00am.

The tentative participants are Jerry Anderson, Keith Hendricks, Joseph Guy and John Hardaway.

No new exhibits will be presented.

The purpose of the interview is to clarify the rejections. More specifically, in paragraph 19 of the Official Action, the Examiner is asserting that samples WS-57 1-4 of the instant

application and samples 1-4 of USP 6,890,571 to Shi show the same characteristics. The undersigned has not been able reach this conclusion. Clarification of the parameters relied on by the Office is respectfully requested.

Similiarly, in paragraph 34 of the Official Action the Office states that samples 1A and 1C of the '571 Patent are similar to applicants sample WS-57 1-4. Furthermore, samples 1B and 1D of table 2 of the '571 Patent are stated to be similar to KS-1 of the instant application.

In a preliminary interview Examiner Anderson mentioned that Figure 3 of the instant application was annotated with data from the '971 Patent for the purposes of comparison. If reviewing this figure prior to the telephonic interview would be beneficial to increasing the efficiency of the discussion a copy can be sent to the undersigned by fax at 864-477-2606 or sent by email to jguy@nexsenpruet.com

In addition to the issues of clarification listed above, Applicants wish to discuss the physical properties of the product obtained by the claimed process in light of the product presented in the '571 Patent and the weight these properties are afforded in the claim. In particular, instant claim 18 recites

a crystalline portion and an amorphous portion whereas the '571 Patent recites a highly crystalline material.

Respectfully submitted,


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